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STATEMENT UNDER RULE 1.97/8

Applicant is not aware of any added prior art, outside of the prior art already made of record in the above case, of which a request for continued examination is being filed herewith.

Respectfully

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AMENDMENT

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Kindly amend the above RCE as follows:

Claims 1-49, cancel without prejudice (previously or herewith)

Claims 50-67, add these new claims as shown in the Appendix.

#### REMARKS

Claims 50-67 are renumbered old claims 30-47, which were allowed. Claim 50 is old claim 30, as now amended to overcome various 112 problems indicated in the Advisory Action dated 3/12/04. Claim 59 is old claim 39, as now amended to overcome various 112 problems indicated in the Advisory Action of 3/12/04.

Since these claims were previously allowed on the merits, and the 112 problems have now been cured, it is believed that these claims 50-67 are now allowable, and such allowance is respectfully solicited.

Old claims 48 and 49 have been cancelled to expedite prosecution.

Accordingly, there are no further issues outstanding and allowance is respectfully solicited.

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